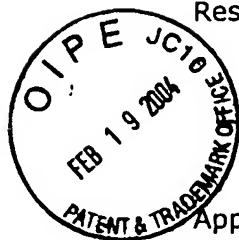


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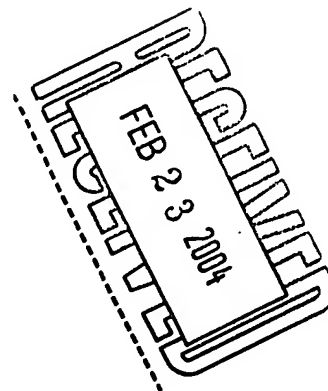


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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on November 20, 2003, please amend this patent application as follows and reexamine the application in view of the amendments and remarks provided.

- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page _____ of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page _____ of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet(s).
- ☐ **Amendments to the Abstract** are on page _____ of this paper. A clean version of the Abstract is on page _____ of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.